

AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A fixing device for producing an anchoring in an undercut drilled hole in a panel, having:

an anchor bolt comprising fixing means for fixing the panel to a supporting structure, and an anchoring zone having a portion that widens in cross-section in a direction of insertion and in correspondence with an undercut portion of the undercut drilled hole,

wherein the anchor bolt has in the region of the anchoring zone a covering of a resilient plastics material, the anchor bolt is anchored within the undercut portion by a curable composition, and the covering of resilient plastics material provides increased flexibility of movement of the anchor bolt within the undercut portion in response to transverse forces, enabling inclination of the anchor bolt of about 10 degrees.

2. (Previously Presented) A fixing device according to claim 1, wherein a smallest outer diameter of the covering is smaller in diameter than the portion of the anchoring zone that widens in cross-section.

3. (Previously Presented) A fixing device according to claim 1, wherein the covering comprises a silicone-containing plastics material.

4. (Previously Presented) A fixing device according to claim 1, wherein the covering consists of a silicone-containing plastics material.

5. (New) A fixing device anchored in an undercut drilled hole in a panel, comprising:

a panel having an undercut drilled hole comprising an undercut portion;
an anchor bolt comprising fixing means for fixing the panel to a supporting structure, and an anchoring zone having a portion that widens in cross-section in a

direction of insertion and in correspondence with the undercut portion of the undercut drilled hole,

wherein the anchor bolt has in the region of the anchoring zone a covering of a resilient plastics material, the anchor bolt is anchored within the undercut portion by a curable composition, and the covering of resilient plastics material provides increased flexibility of movement of the anchor bolt within the undercut portion in response to transverse forces.

6. (New) A fixing device according to claim 5, wherein a smallest outer diameter of the covering is smaller in diameter than the portion of the anchoring zone that widens in cross-section.

7. (New) A fixing device according to claim 5, wherein the covering comprises a silicone-containing plastics material.

8. (New) A fixing device according to claim 5, wherein the covering consists of a silicone-containing plastics material.

9. (New) A fixing device according to claim 5, wherein inclination of the anchor bolt of about 10 degrees is enabled.